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For: HIGH-THROUGHPUT METHODS FOR  
IDENTIFYING GENE FUNCTION USING  
LENTIVIRAL VECTORS (AS AMENDED)

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 23, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two (2) months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to November 30, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8, of this paper.